Georgetown City Council Meeting June 27, 2011 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Georgetown City Council was called to order by Mayor Everette Varney, with all members present. After a moment of silence, Councilwoman Skinner led the pledge.

1. Minutes:

A Motion was made by Councilman Penn, second by Councilman Lusby to approve the minutes of June 8, 2011, June 13, 2011, and June 16, 2011. **Motion unanimously approved.**

2. Acknowledgement receipt of bills:

Mayor Varney requested council to acknowledge receipt of bills. Council acknowledged receipt of bills.

3. Public Comments:

Lori Saunders representing Historic Georgetown reminded everyone to vote for the \$25,000 grant at This Place Matters. The Taste of Georgetown will be held June 30, 2011 kicking off the Thursday Night on the Square series. There will be a street dance August 20, 2011. September 23, 2011 the United States Navy Band, Country Current, will be performing in Georgetown.

Angie Tedder spoke to council about the principles of human beings. The council is elected and paid and they need to remember this when making decisions.

Earlica Harris expressed concerns about the cabin at Royal Springs being boarded. Ms. Harris asked why the Maple Grove Cemetery has a caretaker. Councilman Thompson explained that the city was not responsible for this cemetery.

4. Mayors Comments

Mayor Varney received an E-mail from a citizen of Oklahoma. Andy Shires explained in the e-mail how he had met some of the City of Georgetown's fireman in a restaurant in Joplin. Mr. Shires wanted to thank the Fire Chief and the Mayor for sending these men to help.

5. GMWSS

Billy Jenkins asked for council's approval of the low bid for the Frankfort pump station project. The bid was in the amount of \$308,785 and was submitted by Scott and Ritter Inc. Pumps, motors and electrical will be replaced. A motion was made by Councilman Lusby and seconded by Councilman McEuen to accept the low bid of \$308,785. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

Mr. Jenkins requested approval for the low bid of \$109,487.77 to replace the water main at Dudley and Clayton Avenue. The bid was submitted by Bishoff Brothers Excavating Inc. A motion was made by Councilman Thompson and seconded by Councilwoman Tackett. The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Finance

Ms. Pendergrass explained that the net change in fund balance on the budget ordinance given to council previously was incorrect. There was a formula error in the transfer of funds for the storm water project. The amounts for insurance are high since Mr. Askew is continuing negotiations with the insurance companies. However, the higher amounts will provide a conservative estimate for budget planning and allow Council to proceed with First Reading of the budget ordinance. Mr. Askew is communicating with KLC concerning some of the insurance numbers we are currently using. The first reading of ordinance # 11-003 an ordinance adopting the city of Georgetown, Kentucky, annual budget for fiscal year 2012.

Ms Pendergrass explained to council that the CIP plan is not funded in 2012 and has been moved to 2013. The long-term portion of the CIP plan does not require formal adoption by Council. Ms. Pendergrass asked if Council had any objections to including the proposed CIP 5-year plan as part of the final printed budget. There were no objections.

7. Fire

Fire Chief Robert Bruin asked for council's approval for equipment in the amount of \$49,864. Chief Bruin explained that the fire department had secured the Fire Act Grant in February. The grant is in the amount of \$44,100 with a ten percent match of \$4,900 from the city, a total of \$49,000. Chief Bruin would like to request \$864 in additional funds. This will allow him to equip another engine with a stabilization unit. A motion was made by Councilman Singer and seconded by Councilman Prather to approve the funding for the fire equipment. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

8. City Engineer

Eric Larson City Engineer requested approval to accept the bid from Hinkle Contracting to repair Colony Boulevard. Funding for this project will be through the Municipal Aid Program. The bid is in the amount of \$63,968.59. Councilman Singer asked why the lowest bid had not been accepted. Mr. Larson explained the lower bidders were not prequalified by the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet which was required by the City's Request for Proposal and is a standard requirement for most local transportation projects. A motion was made by Councilman Lusby and seconded by Councilwoman Tackett to accept the bid from Hinkle Contracting in an amount not to exceed \$63,968.59. The Motion was unanimously approved. Councilman Thompson asked how long the Colony Boulevard project would take to complete. Mr. Larson said approximately six to eight weeks.

Municipal Order # 11-010- An order approving an agreement between the United State Geological Survey and the City of Georgetown authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement was read. A motion to accept the order was made by Councilman Singer and seconded by Councilman Thompson. The motion was unanimously approved.

Councilman Lusby requested that the dead shrubs on US 460 be removed.

Councilman Singer inquired about the Bridge Street bridge. Mr. Larson said the bridge had been repaired by Norfolk Southern Railroad and had been reopened. A long term decision about the bridge is still pending.

A motion for adjournment was made by Councilman Penn and seconded by Councilman Thompson. **The motion was unanimously approved**.

APPROVED BY:

Everette Varney, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

Tracie Hoffman, (it) Clerk/Treasure